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SPRINGFIELD MAN SENTENCED FOR CHILD PORN

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Bradley J. Schlozman, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Springfield, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for receiving videotapes of child pornography in the mail.

Blaze Eldridge Montemayor, 32, of Springfield, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Ortrie D. Smith this afternoon to five years in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Montemayor** to spend the rest of his life on supervised release following his release from prison, and to forfeit to the government the Emerson television, Philips Magnavox WebTV terminal and a keyboard, all of which were used to commit the offense.

On Nov. 9, 2005, **Montemayor** pleaded guilty to receiving child pornography. **Montemayor** admitted that he searched the Internet for information and pictures of sexual conduct with little girls, looking for images of real girls rather than adult women acting like girls. He eventually responded to an undercover officer's on-line advertisement offering videotapes containing child pornography, and sent a money order to obtain two videotapes. One videotape was described as including 12-year-olds involved in sexual acts and the other described a "hot sex party" involving 10-year-old boys and girls.

After the money order was received by the undercover officer, a controlled delivery of two videotapes containing child pornography was made to **Montemayor** on May 27, 2005.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rose A. Barber. It was investigated by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, the Springfield, Mo., Police Department and the Kentucky State Police.

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